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5TH SUNDAY IN LENT

MARCH 22, 2026

WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Welcome to Fairport UMC! We embrace the gift of diversity of our community and our world and proclaim that all persons are created in God's image. We celebrate all ways that the human family of Christ finds its diversity. Our vision is to nurture ALL people on their life journeys and to bring God's love to the world. *Disposable masks are available in the coatroom and narthex for those who would like one.*

CHILDREN

We are glad you are here! There is a cart in the Narthex with Children's Activity Bags. We love to have children stay in worship. We are not currently offering a staffed nursery, but the nursery room is available and open to parents and little ones. The service is also livestreamed in the nursery so you and your child can still participate in worship!

Note: Sunday School (children/youth/adult) during the school year is at 9am.

OPEN TABLE

Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of the month and all, including children, are welcome at the table. We use gluten/dairy free bread. If you would prefer not to receive communion but would like a blessing, please indicate that to the pastor.

WORSHIP ABBREVIATIONS AND SYMBOLS

*indicates to stand as you are able

bold print indicates congregational response

UMH – United Methodist Hymnal (large blue hymnal)

FWS – The Faith We Sing (small black hymnal)

W&S – Worship & Song (small green hymnal)



FUMC is a Reconciling Congregation where all persons of any age, gender, gender identity, race, ethnic origin, economic reality, family status, sexual orientation, diverse ability or social status are welcome without reservation, to share in God's love.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

MARCH 22, 2026

The chimes call us to gather as we prepare our hearts to worship God.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*PASSING THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you all! **And also with you!**

PRELUDE

Nearer, My God, to Thee

arr. Geschke

Bell Choir

*CALL TO WORSHIP

In the wilderness, **we cry out to our God.**

In the wilderness, **our souls wait.**

In the wilderness, **we hope in God's word.**

In the wilderness, **we know God's steadfast love.**

And so, in the wilderness, **we worship together.**

*HYMN

Welcome

W&S 3152

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, we see the desolate valley scattered with utterly dry bones.

We mourn before the tomb, sealed with solid stone.

We cannot imagine the sinews, the flesh, the skin covering the bones.

We are sure that the body in the tomb is slowly decomposing.

We confess our lack of faith. We confess our hopelessness.

We confess our fears that death is more powerful than life.

We confess our failure to breathe deeply your life-giving breath.

Have mercy on us, O God. Amen.

WORDS OF GRACE

Our hope is in you, O Lord! For with you there is steadfast love, and great power to save.

It is the Lord God who will save us from all our wrongdoing. Thanks be to God. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Ezekiel 37:1-14

For the Word of God in Scripture; For the Word of God among us;

For the Word of God within us. **Thanks be to God!**

ANTHEM (10:30)

Dry Bones

arr. Mayo & Bailey

Joyful Noise Choir

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (10:30)

INVITATION TO GIVE AND SERVE

OFFERTORY

What Wondrous Love Is This

arr. Sherman

Bell Choir

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Life-Giving Spirit, you breathe hope into our valleys of despair and call forth life where we see only dry bones. We come today not out of habit, but out of longing to be part of your work that restores, renews, and redeems. Take these gifts and use them to roll away the stones that keep your people bound. Let them be signs of trust, symbols of resurrection, and tools of transformation in a weary world. May our offering, like our living, lean into your Spirit and testify that life - abundant, eternal, and holy - is possible in you. In Christ, who calls us out of the grave and into your grace, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN

Let It Breathe on Me

UMH 503

sung twice

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

ANTHEM (10:30)

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

arr. Larson

Chancel Choir

*GOSPEL READING

John 11:1-45

**For the Word of God in Scripture; For the Word of God among us;
For the Word of God within us. Thanks be to God!**

MESSAGE	<i>Can These Bones Live?</i>	Pastor Sam Smith
*HYMN	<i>Spirit, Spirit of Gentleness</i>	FWS 2120
BENEDICTION		
POSTLUDE	<i>Psalm 19</i>	Marcello

Let us take these few moments for preparation,
for worship is over the service begins.

FLOWERS IN WORSHIP

are from Carol Shuherk, in loving memory of Michael Millner.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- For Joan, recovering from emergency surgery (Holly Warren).
- For Betsy, who is recovering from a stroke (Holly Warren).
- For Nan, who has been diagnosed with lymphoma (Holly Warren).
- For our country, and for peace in our world.

We pray for those who are in need of continued healing

FUMC Members: Ed Lewek, Bob Grow, Courtney Pedersen, Andy Jamison, Betty Brandt, the Osmers family, JoAnn-Price Woodin, Roger Woodin, Monica Manske

Family / Friends: Becky Gualtieri, Susan Grau, Shirley Robinson, Heather Malvarosa, David Klein, Sandy, Chere Petrivelli, Annette Galloway, Barb, Hannah, Audrey

We pray for all those who are homebound or in nursing homes

Gary Nelson, Carol Snow, Cindy Stanton, Marge Vanderburgh, Wally Robinson (CT), Carolyn Hebert (KY)

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SERVICE MUSIC TEXTS

Dry Bones

Ezekiel cried, "Them dry bones!" Now hear the word of the Lord.

*The foot bone connected to the leg bone. The leg bone connected to the knee bone.
The knee bone connected to the thigh bone. The thigh bone connected to the hip bone.
The hip bone connected to the back bone. The back bone connected to the neck bone.*

The neck bone connected to the head bone. Now hear the word of the Lord.

Them bones, them bones, gonna walk around. Now hear the word of the Lord.

Foot, leg, knee, thigh, hip, back, neck, head.

Them bones, them bones, them dry bones!

Now hear the word of the Lord.

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

*Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew,
That I may love what Thou dost love, and do what Thou wouldst do.*

*Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure,
Until my will is one with Thine, to do and to endure.*

*Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly Thine,
Until this earthly part of me glows with Thy fire divine.*

*Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die,
But live with Thee the perfect life of Thine eternity. Amen.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS



March is when many schools have spring musical performances and concerts. It is a very busy time for students who are involved in those productions. This is also the time of year for All County music festivals.

Best wishes to all of our young musicians during "March Musical Madness"!



Contact Nicole if you'd like to sing!



...to Ellen Young for making the stoles for the Confirmands!



HOLY WEEK

MARCH 29 - APRIL 5

MARCH 29 PALM SUNDAY
9:00 & 10:30 AM WORSHIP

APRIL 2 MAUNDY THURSDAY
6 PM POTLUCK DINNER WORSHIP

APRIL 3 GOOD FRIDAY
7 PM WORSHIP

APRIL 5 EASTER SUNDAY
9:00 & 10:30 AM WORSHIP

**You are invited to the Riecks'
Annual Easter Egg Hunt! 50th year!
Saturday, April 4 at 2:30pm**

Hunt starts at 3pm.

Bring your parents.

Dress for the weather. Regrets only.

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As always, we are asking the congregation to purchase the flowers, then you are free to take the plant home after Easter Sunday services. If you would like to donate flowers to decorate the sanctuary for Easter you will find order forms in the narthex or you can order online using the link found in E-News.

We will again be ordering an array of spring blooms. You may donate in honor of someone or in memory of someone if you wish. The cost will be \$11 per plant and the **deadline for ordering is March 29th.** *Please make checks out to: Fairport UMC* and put Easter flowers on the memo line. **Thank you!**

**If you have any questions, you may contact Fran Mealey 585-748-0303
or Marlene Farrington 585-267-6100**

MAUNDY THURSDAY
APRIL 2 6 PM

Potluck Dinner
Communion
Worship



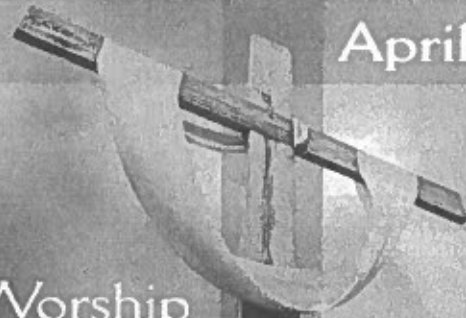
Bring a dish to pass!



GOOD FRIDAY

April 3

Worship
7 PM



Lenten Lunch Group



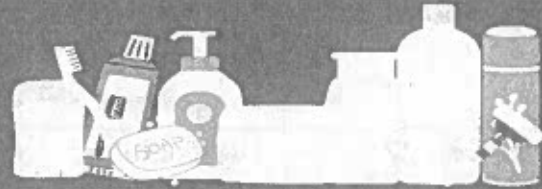
Thursdays at
12 noon in the
Parlor

Lectioyary based
discussions

Bring your own lunch

Begins Thursday, February 19th

Personal Care Items for
Sanctuary House



ITEMS REQUESTED:

deodorant, body wash (travel size), shampoo (travel size),
toothbrushes, toothpaste, tampons, sanitary pads,
women's underwear in all sizes, bras in all sizes.

There is a donation box in the coatroom.

FRAUD / SPAM ALERT

We have been notified that members of FUMC have received emails claiming to be from Pastor Sam asking for gift cards. **Please report these emails as spam/phishing**, and be mindful of the email addresses that are sending these emails. Pastor Sam will never ask for gift cards directly from individuals. *Stay safe!*

*For more information on these
announcements and more, please see our weekly E-News!*

SPIRITUAL GROWTH & FELLOWSHIP THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 22	8am 9am 10am 10:30am 12:30pm 4pm 5pm	Bell Choir - S Worship, Adult Forum (204), Sunday School Joyful Noise - 206 Worship Sunday Dinner – K only Jr. & Sr. High Youth Beyond These Walls Shelter Visit – Francis House
Monday, March 23	1pm 4pm 6:30pm 7pm	Godmothers – 204 UWF Book Club - P Scouts COA – S FH
Tuesday, March 24	10am Noon 6:30pm 7pm	Staff Meeting – P Tuesday Small Group – 204 Joyful Noise – 206 Church Council – 204 / Zoom
Wednesday, March 25	11am 5:45pm 7pm	Joy Club - P Amplify the Light Small Group – 204 Chancel Choir – 113, S
Thursday, March 26	Noon 5pm 6:30pm	Lenten Lunch Group – P Repair Café - P Bell Choir – S
Friday, March 27	10:30am	Heart Listening Small Group (offsite)
Saturday, March 28	Noon	Al Anon – FH
Sunday, March 29	8am 9am 10:30am TBD	Early Choir – 113 Worship, Adult Forum (204), Sunday School Worship Jr. & Sr. High Youth – Spring Cleanup

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HELPING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Livestream Operator: Barry Bermudez

Readers: 9am - Kevin Gordon 10:30am - Sandy Baldwin

Thank you to this week's Food the Spirit volunteers